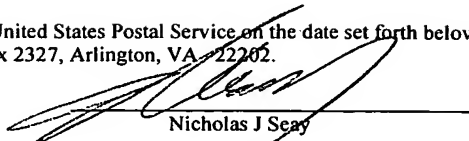


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Applicants: James A. Thomson  
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Date: October 2, 2002

Serial No.: 10/068,612

Group Art Unit:

Filed: 02/06/2002

Examiner:

Title: METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING  
INTERCELLULAR PROTEIN FACTORS

File No.: 960296.97923

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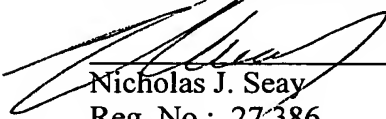
By a Notice mailed April 3, 2002 in the file of this application, the Patent and Trademark Office informed the applicants, that this application was deficient in the filing formalities since the oath or declaration filed with the application was unsigned.

Enclosed with this submission is a Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by both of the inventors of this application. It is believed that this filing completes the formalities needed in connection with the filing of this application.

Also enclosed with this submission is a Petition for extension of time for four months so that this response may be considered as timely filed. These applicants are entitled to small entity status.

Wherefore examination on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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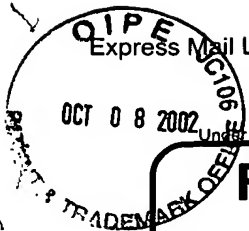
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Multiple Dependent Claims	-3*** =	X	0.00

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
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1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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1051	130	2050	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	65
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
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1809	740	2809	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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Other fee (specify)

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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